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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:)	
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Application No.: 09/446,415)	
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U.S. National Phase of: PCT/US98/13007)	DATE OF MAILING: <u>January 5, 2004</u>
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For: BACTERICIDAL/PERMEABILITY-)	
INCREASING PROTEIN:)	
CRYSTALLIZATION, X-RAY)	
DIFFRACTION, THREE-)	
DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE)	
DETERMINATION, RATIONAL)	
DRUG DESIGN AND MOLECULAR)	
MODELING OF RELATED)	
PROTEINS)	
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Group Art Unit: 1631)	
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Confirmation No.: 2291)	
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 3, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2003 in the above-identified application, with claims 1-6 and 15-23 variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 112 first paragraph, and 103(a). This response is timely filed, as a Petition

for a Three Month Extension of Time, with a check for the required fee of \$475.00, is submitted herewith, making the response due on Monday, January 5, 2004, since January 3rd was a Saturday. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.